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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

MICHIGAN.

Ella McNeal, of Millington, who had been the victim of scandal by gossip, took laudanum with suicidal intent, and is reported in critical condition.

John Gordon, of Detroit, was sentenced at Flint, Saturday, to five years in the State Prison for aiding John Smith to escape. Smith had been convicted for the larceny of \$270 from Mr. Lauson, of Fenton.

On Friday, while engaged digging gravel from a pit four miles northwest of Kalamazoo, on the Grand Prairie road, Mr. J. W. Pierce, a well known farmer, and two of his men, were instantly killed by the caving in of a pit, by which all were buried.

The ex-soldiers of the war of 1861 met at Caro on Friday to organize the Tuscola County Association. Col. J. H. Richardson was chosen President.

The Michigan Central Railroad Company, as soon as Mr. Vanderbilt shall have seen and approved the plans will proceed to erect a new depot building at Detroit, on the site of the present one, to cost about \$150,000. It is expected work will begin this season.

The valuation of Detroit's taxable property this year is \$94,891,407, an increase of \$7,261,712 over last year. About two-thirds of this is increase in personal property. The tax levy is at the rate of 12 1-10 mills on the dollar.

Decoration Day was duly observed in Detroit. Fairbanks Post, G. A. R., was open at an early hour, to give attention to callers with information and requests as to the graves to be visited. The First Battalion of State troops acted as escort to the Post, and when the procession had passed through the principal streets to the Soldiers' Monument, it broke up and the members of the Post proceeded to the cemeteries to attend to the work of decoration. In the evening there were services at the Church of our Father, consisting of addresses by Gen. L. S. Trowbridge and Rev. E. L. Rexford, memorial songs by soloists and music by quartette.

Charles V. Gillman, tried at Port Huron for the murder of his mother, pleaded guilty to murder in the second degree and on Monday was sentenced to ten years at hard labor in the Jackson prison.

The body of Mrs. Gifford, the cook on the Clayton Belle was found floating in the river at Port Huron, Monday morning.

A case of small-pox was discovered at Port Huron Monday among a party of immigrants, which led to the detention of the car on a side track in the northern part of the city, and the enforcement of quarantine.

Heavy fires are reported in the pine timber of Clare county. Four sections have been burned over, and much valuable timber destroyed. The fire extends into Roscommon county.

The infant child of H. Halliday, of Battle Creek, in the same house in which the other cases of small-pox occurred, died of the disease on Monday. No new cases are developed.

At a meeting of the students of the University of Michigan, growing out of dissatisfaction with the recent Chronicle election, it was resolved to start a new paper, to be called the Michigan Argonaut, the editors to be chosen both from the literary and the professional departments.

The Grand Trunk Company is collecting timber and material at Battle Creek for the erection of their Central shops at that place.

A copper spear head, six inches in length, two in width and tapering to a fine point, was lately plowed up on the farm of Hiram T. Spear of Johnstown. It has a hardened, tempered cutting edge, showing that the "mound-builders" must have had some knowledge of the use of metals.

A mail pouch, left at the depot at Kalamazoo Saturday evening by the 10:25 train from the west, was found rifled of its contents on Sunday morning. Tracks led to Deming's lumber yard, where 55 letters were found, opened and rifled of their contents.

At a depth of 2,020 feet, Michael Engelmann of Manistee has struck brine which yields 98 per cent. salt.

Michael Ryan, while crossing the track of the M. C. railroad near Jackson on Tuesday was struck by the express train going east and instantly killed. He was thrown with such force against the switch house as to break all his ribs.

A fire in Alma on Tuesday destroyed Gilbert Burrow's bakery and restaurant and S. Loveland's furniture store. Each was the loser by about \$1,500.

Kalkaska county and the counties bordering on and adjacent to Traverse Bay, have been more exempt from damaging frosts than almost any other portions of the state, or of the Northwest.

Richard G. Peters, of Manistee, has completed a fine brick Gothic Hall, 75 x 84 feet, at a cost of \$25,000 and deeded the property to his wife as a birthday present. The same was dedicated on the 28th.

Louis Van Syke, a few miles from Alpena, shot a bear on the 28th, weighing 324 lbs.

Drs. J. J. Mulholland and Rudolph C. Tychan, of Detroit, have been appointed as sanitary inspectors of the National Board of Health, and have entered upon their duties.

Dr. Willard E. Chaney, one of the Detroit city physicians, was taken with varioloid on Monday, con-

tracted by attending a small-pox patient at the pest house. At his own request, he was sent to the pest house.

The Michigan University Class in Surveying, numbering about 15, are in camp near Traverse city where they will spend three weeks in field work under the direction of Prof. Davis.

Mrs. Wm. B. Warrant, of Kalamazoo, after a short illness died of small-pox.

Calvin and Wm. Moss, colored, were drowned while fishing in the river near Kalamazoo.

Twenty-six mills are now running at Muskegon eleven hours with full crews.

A twelve-year son of John Adams, of Lapeer, in passing behind a house in the stable, received a kick, which crushed the skull, and will result fatally.

The balance in the State Treasury May 31 was \$1,530,115.24.

The faculty of Hillsdale College forbade the students going to hear Anna Dickinson, which served as a good free advertisement for Anna.

Thomas Duncharme, a boat builder of Port Huron, was drowned near the Sarnia dock by the upsetting of a sail boat in which he was conveying conductor Mitchell across. Mr. M. clung to the boat and was saved.

The internal revenue collections for the First District in Michigan for May 1882 were \$100,057.68, which is \$3,849.72 more than for the same month last year.

John M. Nicol, who for four and a half years has acted as agent of the Canada Southern Fast Freight Line in Detroit, has terminated his connection with the company, with a view to engaging in other business.

The drug and grocery store of Hoyt & Wasson, at Hoytville, Eaton Co., was burned with its contents on Wednesday, supposed to have been struck by lightning. Loss \$5,000. The main matter of the post office, kept in the building was lost.

Frank Foot, fireman on the Saginaw Bay and Northwestern railway, was drawn under the cars at Pinconning and fatally injured, dying in three hours.

Louise Miller, an employee at the Cass House, Cheboygan, was found dead in her bed, a phial of cedar oil under her pillow.

There are over 24 miles of water mains in Grand Rapids, but no city hospital. During May real estate to the value of \$207,107.75 changed hands.

The board of directors of the Northwestern Agricultural Society had an enthusiastic meeting to prepare for the fair to be held in East Saginaw in September. They propose to eclipse any district exhibition heretofore given in the state.

Robt Dawson of Pontiac took a large dose of aconite in a fit of despondency. By pumping, and efforts to counteract the effects of the poison, his life will probably be saved.

Dr. A. S. May of Independence, K., has made a sensation at Adrian by his sudden appearance there, and an impudic demand for "Emma," whom he says he will marry or murder. He is said to be the victim of a life-long affection, and the object of his affections had all she could do to keep out of his way, so determined has he been on the fulfillment of an engagement, which the father of the loved one would not consent to.

As the keeper of Forepaugh's lions entered his cage at Lansing, to clean it, one of the animals seized him by the arm, and was not induced to let go until five shots had been put into his body, and his jaws pried open. He was then skinned and given a prey to his fellow lions.

Burglars entered the liquor store of W. H. Haddrell, North Branch, drilled the safe and stole about \$5,000. They then stole a horse and buggy from the barn of Thomas McLain, and made off towards Lapeer.

Mrs. Henry Van Hesel, near Grand Rapids, came to her death in a mysterious way. Being an invalid, she kept a rope hanging over her head, with a loop at the lower end to aid herself in turning over in bed. In some way, whether by accident or design is not certain, she got her head through the noose and was found strangled.

The Jackson County Pioneer Association held its annual picnic at Grass Lake, which was largely attended. W. K. Gibson was the orator.

The convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Western Michigan was held at Kalamazoo, Bishop Gillespie presiding. The Episcopal fund was reported to be \$35,715.95, and there was a deficit of one or two thousand.

As Daniel Abbott, farmer, of Shiawassee county, stopped at Owosso station to assist a lady off the cars, he was surrounded by three men when returning to his seat and robbed of \$80. Feeling a hand in his pocket, he seized it by the collar, but was jerked back by the other two and held until the thief escaped, when they too ran from the train.

Rev. J. E. Richards, of First Congregational church of St. Johns, has brought suit for libel against Marion Babcock for publishing and circulating libelous matter. He was charged with having refused to attend the funeral, or even to make a prayer at the grave of a child which died of diphtheria; and with mercenary motives in his profession, and not believing the Bible he preaches, or its promises, etc.

E. Nelson, saloonkeeper at McBrides, has at last been convicted of selling liquor on Sunday, and sentenced to pay a fine of \$50 and costs, and to be confined 60 days in the county jail. He was again convicted of the same offense on another charge, and received similar sentence. He appeals to the Circuit Court.

Lieut. Coffin has been detailed by authorities in Washington as Professor of Military Science and Tactics at Michigan Military Academy, Orchard Lake. Lieut. Coffin was a graduate in 1873, and has for several years been instructor at West Point.

The soldiers' reunion in Detroit promises to be a grand affair. Wednesday evening there will be addresses by Gov. Jerome and Gen. E. S. Bragg of Wisconsin. On Thursday evening at the banquet, Secretary of War Robt T. Lincoln, Ex-President Hayes, Gen. Dan' E. Sickles, etc., are announced to respond to toasts. The City Hall in honor of the occasion is to be decorated profusely with flags, the fountains are to be illuminated, and 1,000 Chinese lanterns will add to the general effect.

John Murray and John Rattell cut, on two double-block Chalmers machines at the Mill of Stokes, Nelson & Secor, Manistee, 301,000 star and six-inch shingles, all of which were packed. This is the largest quantity ever manufactured in one day from similar machines. Chris. Bodenoff packed 55,000 shingles in one day at the mill of Brooks & Sweet.

The St. Joseph river has overflowed its banks, and great destruction to crops in the valley between Niles and the lake is feared.

The surviving Michigan veterans of the Mexican war will hold their annual reunion in Grand Rapids in September next. There are now living in the state about 260 of the 2,500 men who served in the war.

The Niles Plow Co. go to Benton Harbor and organize for business with \$40,000 capital.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Monday 29.—The supreme court of Washington County, R. I., has entered a decree granting a divorce to Catharine Chase Sprague from William Sprague, giving her the custody of her three daughters, and permitting her to resume her maiden name, with leave hereafter to apply for alimony if she chooses. A new, double Hoe perfecting press inserts and pastes a supplement of two or four pages and delivers complete papers of either 10 or 12 folios at the rate of 24,000 copies per hour.

During a storm near Lagrange, Mo., Friday evening, a tree fell across a wagon, in which Hans Allison and Mr. and Mrs. Garkey were returning home, killing the two former and fatally injuring the latter. Deputy Marshalls P. Smith and Enckine, of Fayetteville, Ark., arrested the third and last member of the Fuller family charged with robbing the mails at Gunther, Ark., while in charge of the postoffice. Edward Fuller is in Pueblo, Miss Fuller is in Denver, and the young Fuller in Boulder. Geo. L. Conley, a well known bass, and Herman Reitzel, pianist, of the Clara Louise Kellogg concert company, were drowned in Lake Spofford, Chesterfield, N.H., while fishing.

Ten Kickapoo Indians, living on a reservation in Atchison, Kas., were naturalized Friday by the U. S. courts at Topeka, and, under the act recently passed by Congress, are now full American citizens. A fire in Portland, Oregon, destroyed one entire block of buildings. Loss \$75,000. Under the lead of Edward Sheffieldin, an Arizona prospector, a party of five experienced men has been organized to make a thorough exploration of the valley of the Yukon, in Alaska. The party are amply equipped, and may be absent three years. Sheffieldin thinks Alaska is within the mineral belt which extends through South America, Mexico, United States and British Columbia.

While workmen were engaged in erecting a church in Rapho, Lancaster, Co. Penn., the building fell on a number of men injuring 14, two of them fatally. Tuesday, 30.—The Attorney General declares Ex-Secretary Kirkwood ineligible to appointment as a member of the tariff commission. The House on Monday adopted a new rule to prevent "filibustering," after a decision from the chair that dilatory motions, in contested election cases, are not in order. The case of Dibble vs. Mackey, and other contested cases, will now be considered without delay. Dr. G. C. Hoffman, editor of the Germania, Quincy, Ill., was shot by the brothers Helltoke on Monday, for publishing an article giving an account of an attempt at suicide by a sister of the brothers. Dr. Spear also aided in the assault, which it is thought will prove fatal. The American express office at Hudson, Wis., was robbed of \$1,000 on Monday, very mysteriously, as the money was deposited in a vault, and when the vault was opened the money was gone. Gov. Crittenden, it is stated, has been negotiating with Frank James for his surrender, on terms which involves his pardon. The scheme also involves pardon from the governors of Minnesota and Texas, where the outlaw is under ban, lest Crittenden's successor might deliver him on a requisition from either of said states. Thomas J. Merriam, a farm hand and a bad character, was fatally shot by Frederick Jackson of Olmstead Falls, O. Merriam had been troublesome, and on the occasion displayed a knife in a menacing manner. Brave Bear, the Indian sentenced to be hung for murder, made a second attempt at suicide Sunday night, by taking arsenic.

A fire at Doudville, Wis., Sunday night, destroyed the entire village; loss \$40,000; insurance \$7,000. On Monday 378 Mormons arrived at New York, and started for Utah the same night. Wednesday, 31.—The Ohio supreme court on Tuesday decided that the Fond Liquor law is unconstitutional, for the reason that it is in effect a license, and this in contravention of the constitution of the state. The vote of the bench of judges was four to one. Affairs in Egypt are troubled. The Khedive has been cowed, and Arabi again made minister of war, having given quieting assurances to Germany, Italy, Russia and Austria. The statement gives dissatisfaction to the military party, and England, France, and even the United States may feel called upon to help in the settlement.

As Jacob Keiss, a wealthy farmer of Bucyrus, O., was crossing the track of the Pittsburg, Ft. Wayne and Chicago road on Thursday, he was struck

by a train, which destroyed the horse, buggy and man. Prof. Wm. B. Rogers, President of the National Academy of Sciences, and ex-President of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, dropped dead on Tuesday in Boston while addressing a graduating class. The death record of Enoch Emery, for twenty years editor of the Peoria Transcript, of Richard Mortimer a wealthy manufacturer of New York, leaving an estate of \$4,000,000, the grandfather of the Countess Oriola of Berlin, and of Hon. M. A. Otto, of Santa Fe, prominent in the political history of New Mexico. The Wyoming Valley Hotel, at Wilkesbarre, Pa., was burned on Tuesday. Loss \$100,000; insurance \$90,000. Judge Houston, of New Orleans, has rendered a decision in favor of James McConnell for \$5,700, besides interest and costs, for services to the city in the Gaines cases. The South Carolina State Supervisor of Registration has been arrested for refusing to allow a United States Deputy Marshal to remain so near him, as in his judgment to impede the free registration of votes.

Thursday, June 1.—The Mackey-Dibble contest in the House ended on Wednesday by seating Mackey, 150 to 3. The internal revenue receipts for May were \$16,574,275, more than for any month in ten years. Strikes and rumors of strikes prevail. Thirty-six mills in Pittsburg and vicinity were expected to be closed June 1, and 18,500 men to be out of employment thereby. Twenty-three students of St. Victor's college at Bourbonnais, Kan., have left the institution because they were required to attend classes as usual on Decoration Day. The remains of Thomas Jefferson are to be removed to Washington, and buried in Glenwood cemetery. The shares of the Pacific Bank stock of Boston, on which the assessment has not been paid, were sold at auction Wednesday, at one cent per share. John Brown, city chamberlain for London, Ont., for a quarter of a century, fatally shot himself on Wednesday, his mind being temporarily unsettled by a charge of crookedness in his accounts. A shortage of \$19,000 is alleged. Peter Cooper has just passed his 91st birthday. The decrease in the public debt for May is about \$10,000,000, which is less than was anticipated, on account of the heavy pension payments during the month. A majority of the Senate military committee will report favorably for the relief of John Fitz Porter. Messrs. Logan, Hawley and Harrison will dissent.

Friday, 2.—In the election case of Bisbee vs. Finley, the House by a vote of 147 to 9 gave the seat to contestant Bisbee. Lead in paying quantities has been found on the farm of Mr. Maxwell in Stockbridge, Mo. Lieut. Danenhower is in Washington, where he meets with a warm reception, and the heartiest congratulations. The coinage for May amounted to \$678,400, including 55,800 double eagles, 469,000 eagles, 351,000 half eagles, and 2,262,000 standard silver dollars. Two hundred mineral land patents were issued during May, the largest number ever issued in one month. Strikes were inaugurated on Monday, quite generally. At Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Cincinnati, St. Louis, Chicago, and other manufacturing places, work here and there an exception, work ceased, to await a more definite settlement of the wages question. A few manufacturers who had contracts to fill, signed agreements; others will take advantage of the present state of things to repair their works, and others will employ non-union men and defy the strikers. Judge Biddle of Philadelphia has imposed a fine of \$1,000 upon the N. Y. Herald for a libel on Senator McPherson. The fine was promptly paid. England and France agree to invite the other powers to a conference for the settlement of the Egyptian question. Gov. Crittenden denies the reports of his having offered Frank James a pardon, or that he has made proposals to the governors of other states asking them to join him in extending clemency to James, and adds that the latter has never made application for pardon. The gambler of St. Louis, now that the anti-gambling law of Missouri is declared constitutional are at their wits' end, ready to "throw up the sponge."

Saturday, 3.—Gen. Garibaldi died at Caprera, on Friday evening. Bishop Gilmore, of Ohio, writes to all the Catholic churches of his diocese, to say that he will excommunicate any Catholic lady who shall hereafter attend any meeting of the ladies' branch of the Land League, or become a member thereof. He thinks membership in such a body, calculated to make brawling politicians of women, and incompatible with womanly modesty. The Malley trial has been postponed to June 13, on account of the sickness of a juror. Seven miners imprisoned in the Alta drift at Virginia City, were found in the cooling-off house, and the only lives lost were those of two men who, in attempting to go into the drift with a boat, were stifled with heat and gas. The stockholders of the Boston Pacific National Bank, who subscribed \$750,000 as their assessment at the time of the reorganization, combine to combat any suit to receive the \$200,000 they represent. They claim that owing to the resumption of business by the bank they are not liable. The authorities at Brody, Austria, are restricting emigration of Jews, and refugees not provided with passports are sent back. A mob of dock laborers at Bridgeport, Ill., attacked a Chicago & Alton train, with sticks, stones, and pieces of iron, and guns. Several were seriously injured. Judge Pillsbury received a bullet wound in the head, and half-a-dozen more were seriously bruised, or had their skulls made bare. One of the rioters was accidentally shot by his own party. James K. McGhee, who had a quarrel with Lazarus Brooks, both living near Little Rock, Ark., finding that the latter was likely to get the better of him in a law suit, found him hunting one day, in company with a fifteen-year old boy,

and after a few words, shot him dead with a shot-gun, and fired at the running boy, also breaking his arm.

Monday 5.—A dispatch from Fort Worth, Tex., says 100,000 head of cattle and 200,000 horses have been driven through that place this spring for points North and East, with more to follow. The Sultan informs the French Ambassador that the Porte is able to remove the difficulties in Egypt without a conference. The Sultan says he expects his commissioners to be obeyed. R. S. Montgomery, president of the Shelbyville, Tenn., Savings bank, has been indicted on the charge of defrauding Small & Co., of St. Louis out of \$10,000; E. M. Samuel & Sons have been defrauded out of \$9,000 others are also losers. General Grant, Sherman, Sheridan, Hancock, Warren, McCook, Steadman, Slocum, and other heroes of the war have given assurance that they will endeavor to be in Detroit June 14 and 15, at the soldiers reunion. The railroads offer half rates to the army of the Potomac reunion. The eight-hour law being ineffectual, the attorney general of the United States recommends supplementary legislation. Three little children were burned to death near Decatur, Ala., by the explosion of an oil can. Somebody tried to fill a burning lamp. Preparations are being made for the holding in Detroit of a national convention of kindergarten instructors on the 21st-23d inst.

A WHALING GUN.—The first breech-loading whale gun ever made has just been completed by Robert Liddle, of San Francisco. It was made to go on the whale steamer Bowhead, which started for arctic waters last Tuesday, under command of Capt. E. E. Smith. The gun in shape bears a strong resemblance to an ordinary breech-loading rifle, and weighs 105 pounds. It has a rebounding lock, and the length of the barrel 36 inches, and one five-sixteenth inches calibre. It fires with precision either a harpoon or bomb lance the distance of 30 odd yards, while even further than that it will do good execution. The gun swings on a swivel and can be fired in any desired direction and at almost any angle, and is about as easily handled as an ordinary firearm.

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